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## BALANCING ACT

Chilina Kennedy balances a book on her head in her role as Cecily Cardew as part of Neptune Theatre's production of *The Importance of Being Earnest* during a media preview on Tuesday. The show premieres on Friday. See story, page 5.

JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Rush offers 'grand designs' for Halifax

### Hey Jack Relax.

Seminal Canadian  
rockers signal intention  
to roll the bones in city



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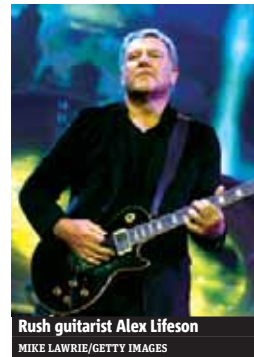
This is concert news that will  
hit closer to the heart for some  
Haligonians than others.

Canadian rock gods Rush  
announced in a fan newsletter  
Tuesday that the summer leg  
of their current tour will in-  
clude a stop in Halifax, "for the  
first time in decades!"

The news had local fans  
cheering — albeit cautiously.

J.C. Douglas, program direc-  
tor at Q104, said nothing is cer-  
tain until dates are announced  
— though that didn't really  
dampen his enthusiasm.

"It would be massive," said  
Douglas. "It would be huge,  
and I'd be so excited to see  
them, oh my god!"



**Rush guitarist Alex Lifeson**  
MIKE LAWRIE/GETTY IMAGES

Rush hasn't played in Hali-  
fax since a Metro Centre ap-  
pearance in 1987. The band is  
currently touring to promote  
its latest album, *Clockwork  
Angels*, and tour dates are lis-  
ted until June 10.

Cole McLean of the Rush  
the Hill campaign said he was  
"ecstatic" over the news the  
iconic band could be returning  
to Halifax this summer.

"One of the greatest Can-  
adian bands ever is finally re-

turning to the East Coast. It's  
just unbelievable," he said.  
"The fact they haven't been  
here in 25 years is crazy."

McLean predicted the To-  
ronto-based band would play  
an outdoor show, likely at the  
Garrison Grounds on Citadel  
Hill.

Douglas suggested the  
Metro Centre is more likely —  
but said the trio of Neil Peart,  
Geddy Lee and Alex Lifeson  
could sell out any venue, based  
on the longevity of their career  
and musical ingenuity.

"A lot of younger fans are  
into that musicianship that  
Rush has that you don't find  
in newer bands," he said. "So  
you'd have the group of old  
die-hard fans who just haven't  
seen them forever, and then  
you'd have the whole new gen-  
eration or maybe two."

Rounding out Tuesday's  
concert news was the an-  
nouncement that Sting will  
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Dr. Who fans excited

## Police seek rightful owners of abandoned angel statue

It's not weeping and it didn't come from a local construction site — it just needs to go home.

A police request for help finding the owner of an angel statue abandoned in Bedford caused a little excitement among local Dr. Who and Simpsons fans Tuesday.

The one-metre-tall figurine was found outside a building on Nelson's Landing around 8:20 p.m. Monday.

It has a metal rod protruding from the bottom, and Const. Pierre Bourdages said it looks like it came from a place of worship.

"It's a church angel, something that would be somewhere religious," he said. "It's weathered, so it's been outside for, I would say, decades."

Dr. Who fans had another theory involving malevolent aliens who appear as weeping stone angels, and can move only when no one's looking at them.

"DON'T BLINK!" Time Lord devotees tweeted repeatedly.

Simpsons fans wondered whether the angel was unearthed from a construction site, referring to Lisa's discovery of an "angel fossil" during an archeological dig.

Bourdages said it's hoped the publicity will help get the angel home.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO



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A pedestrian walks through the snow on South Park Street in Halifax on Tuesday. Schools were cancelled for the first time this winter due to snowfall, and much more is expected to come this weekend. One meteorologist predicts up to 15 centimetres. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Encore! Encore! More snow is on the way

**Snow money, snow problems.** Millions spent from HRM's clearing budget already



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Weather watchers in Halifax are tracking another storm system, expected to arrive this weekend, which could deliver a heavier winter wallop than the one that closed schools on Tuesday.

Environment Canada meteorologist Bob Robichaud said

the next event will track over the Great Lakes and south of Nova Scotia late Friday.

"So many things can happen between now and then, but the scenario, as it looks right now — you could see five to 10 centimetres," said Robichaud. "Maybe 15 along the coast, depending how close this thing tracks to us."

Robichaud said five to 10 centimetres of snow fell on Tuesday, with the heaviest accumulation along the coast.

"The ... (reason) it wasn't really bad conditions is that we were so far away from it," he said. "As you were going further offshore towards the south, you were getting into some heavier

snow and stronger winds."

Halifax Regional Police responded to 14 traffic accidents, none of them major.

HRM has spent a gross \$6.85 million on snow removal up to Dec. 31.

That includes fixed costs for salaries, performance-based contracts and hourly contracts that would be paid out regardless of how much snow was actually removed.

The expenses up to Jan. 31 will be released on Feb. 8.

More than 1,600 winter-parking-ban tickets have been issued since enforcement began on Dec. 15. A total of seven cars have been towed, none since Dec. 31.

## The white stuff

Tuesday was the first snow day of the school year for HRM students. Here's the number of snow days for HRSB schools since 2008.

- 2011-12: One partial day because Citadel, Dartmouth High and Prince Andrew schools remained open.
- 2010-11: 4.5
- 2009-10: 1
- 2008-09: 7.5

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## Jessome. Murder suspect appears briefly in court

Morgan James MacNeil made a brief appearance in provincial court on Tuesday before being returned to custody on a charge of second-degree murder in the death of Laura Jessome, whose body was found in a hockey bag on the shores of the Mira River.

MacNeil, 21, of Glace Bay, will return to court March 25, during which time the Crown attorney's office will disclose its case to defence lawyer Darlene MacRury.

Chief Crown attorney Dan MacRury said outside the courtroom that given the nature of the charge, there is a great deal of evidence to be disclosed.

"With any murder case, there (are) usually large volumes of material and this is no different than those type of cases," he said.

It's alleged that MacNeil



Laura Jessome FACEBOOK.COM

killed Jessome, 21, of Bras d'Or, between May 2 and 25, 2012.

Jessome's body was discovered inside a hockey bag along the Mira River in Marion Bridge on May 25. She was last seen alive on May 2 in the New Aberdeen area of Glace Bay.

Police have declined to indicate the exact cause of death.

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## Fairview. Police still on case in home shooting

Halifax police are still investigating a shooting that damaged a house in Fairview.

Officers received a report of shots fired at the home in the 100 block of Willett Street around 9:50 p.m. Monday.

Police found a bullet hole in

the front window of the house, but neither of the two people home at the time were injured.

Police Const. Pierre Bourdages said Tuesday afternoon the investigation was ongoing and there were no updates. RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

## Bridgewater. 8 firearms seized near schools: Cops

Police in southwestern Nova Scotia say they found a large cache of weapons inside a man's home Monday after they locked down two nearby schools.

Bridgewater police had said Monday they had seized a weapon from the man's home, but they released more information Tuesday, saying their search uncovered eight long guns, including shotguns, rifles and an assault-style weapon.

Officers say they also found marijuana and cocaine.

Bridgewater Elementary School and the nearby high

### The suspect

- Sheldon Earl Bowers appeared in court Tuesday to face charges in the case.

school were locked down for more than an hour Monday after police warned school officials about a potential threat to the community.

However, police have said that at no point was there a direct threat to the two schools.

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### Report card

### Red tape lands NDP a D grade

The Canadian Federation of Independent Business is giving the Nova Scotia government a grade of D for the amount of red tape it heaps on small businesses.

The group's Red Tape Report Card says the province has made no meaningful progress in reducing the bureaucratic burden for small enterprises.

A spokeswoman says the study looks at factors like political leadership and efforts to measure regulatory burden. THE CANADIAN PRESS

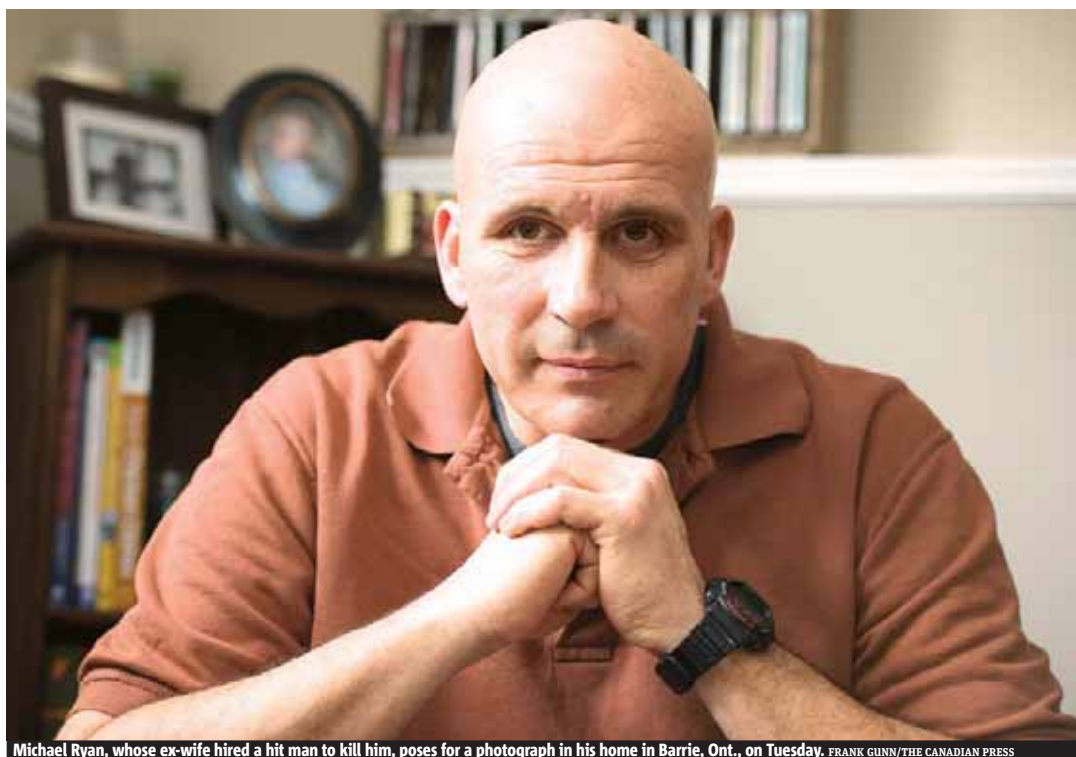
### Vote

### Health-authority workers OK deal

Union members who work for the Capital District Health Authority voted to accept their employer's final offer on Monday.

Ballots cast by Local 246 (clerical staff) and 19 (support services) show 57 per cent of the Nova Scotia Government Employees Union members accepted the new agreement, a release from the NSGEU said Tuesday.

The union says the offer includes a 7.5 per cent wage increase over three years. METRO



Michael Ryan, whose ex-wife hired a hit man to kill him, poses for a photograph in his home in Barrie, Ont., on Tuesday. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Ex in hit-man case wants his story heard

**Interview.** Court findings of spousal abuse against former wife 'are completely false': Michael Ryan



Nicole Ryan THE CANADIAN PRESS

According to court decisions, Michael Ryan is a manipulative, controlling military man with a violent temper — a man who put a gun to his wife's head and bullied her into fearful submission.

Michael Ryan, however, says those decisions were based on nothing more than his ex-wife's fabrications to avoid jail time for trying to hire a hit man to have him killed.

Their story hit the national spotlight last week when the Supreme Court of Canada ordered an extraordinary stay of proceedings in the Nova

Scotian woman's case, while granting the Crown appeal and overturning her acquittal.

But Michael Ryan is less interested in the legal technicalities and more interested in how the courts came to brand him a "violent, abusive and controlling husband" who subjected Nicole Ryan to a "reign of terror."

The Supreme Court — and the Nova Scotia Court of Ap-

peal before it — based conclusions about Michael Ryan on the findings of fact made by the trial judge, who accepted his ex-wife's testimony "without question," as the Appeal Court noted.

The problem, as Ryan sees it, is that as the court considered whether Nicole Ryan was telling the truth about her husband punching holes in the walls and throwing things at her, no one asked him.

He was not called to testify at Nicole Ryan's trial. He had been subpoenaed, but never interviewed by the Crown.

He wanted to tell the judge that Nicole Ryan was under no duress from him, that they were living apart and he was in a new relationship.

The Crown, he says, told him they didn't need him because the case was a "slam dunk."

The judge accepted Nicole Ryan's story and acquitted her, and so the narrative about his "reign of terror" was born, getting recycled at each new level of court without ever hearing from the man himself.

"I've been painted a monster, basically, just because she's trying to get herself out of hot water," Michael Ryan said in an interview Tuesday with The Canadian Press.

Nicole Ryan's lawyer, Joel Pink, says he has no doubt his client is telling the truth.

"The judge made a finding based on the evidence and that's what everybody should be looking at," Pink said in an interview.

Pink noted that Michael Ryan has a history of anger-management issues, as cited by a 2002 psychiatric assessment, and landed in jail due to a bar fight. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Fire probe delays Deep Panuke project

### Area of concern

- One issue being examined is why a fire-suppression system that releases carbon dioxide didn't work.

Energy giant EnCana has put its Deep Panuke natural-gas project on hold temporarily while an investigation is carried out into why an electrical fire broke out on a production platform off the coast of Nova Scotia.

SBM Offshore, which owns and operates the platform, says the fire was quickly extinguished after it began early Saturday. Forty-six people were

evacuated as a precaution from the platform, which is 250 kilometres southeast of Halifax.

"The work that was taking place on the platform is on hold until there are some findings from the investigation," said Lori MacLean, a spokeswoman for EnCana.

She said it's too early to tell if there will be delays in the project as a result of damage.

There have already been holdups in the project. The development received regulatory approval in 2007 and was

initially supposed to go into production by late 2010.

Dutch-based SBM Offshore said last fall that natural gas wouldn't begin flowing until an unspecified date prior to June 30.

SBM spokeswoman Anne Guerin-Moens said experts from the company will participate in the fire investigation with EnCana.

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# An earnest dose of laughter

**Oscar Wilde satire.**  
Classic play coming to  
Neptune Theatre stage



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A name that makes ladies swoon, the name all men envy, will be heard on the Neptune Theatre stage starting this weekend.

That name, of course, is Ernest.

The Importance of Being Earnest, Oscar Wilde's classic satire of love affairs and mistaken identities, is part of Neptune's 50th anniversary season. The play opens Friday night and runs until Feb. 17 on the Fountain Hall stage.

"It's one of those plays that's like a big, pink cupcake to devour in the winter," said the show's director George Pothitos. "It's funny, it's clever and it's beautiful to look at as well."

Set in 1895 London, the play revolves around two bachelors who reinvent themselves to impress the women they love, but both end up masquerading as a man named Ernest.

"The best part in general is the language of this play," said Saskatchewan actor David Leyshon in between rehearsals Tuesday. He is making his Halifax theatre debut as John (Jack) Worthing.

"It's really fun to do and the best part is allowing stuff to kind of flow and really crackle," he said about the fast-paced dialogue.

The 36-year-old actor has worked with fellow Earnest

performers Michael Theriault, Marla McLean and Chilina Kennedy before, who all make up the lead "quartet," and that only helps their on-stage chemistry, he said.

While Leyshon has played Algernon, the other lead male, before, he said the role of Jack feels more comfortable.

"He is a little more serious, but has this quiet naughtiness to him," Leyshon said. "In my life I hide my irresponsibility well," he laughed.

While the play has been made into films multiple times, and played across stages the world over, Leyshon said he has to "shed" that history when he steps into the spotlight.

"As you start (to) take ownership of the play, it becomes your own," Leyshon said. "It can only be what it will be with this group of people, at this theatre, at this time."

While the characters have all kinds of witty lines, Leyshon said there's more substance than just comic relief.

"They're people that have feelings.... Trying to marry that high intellect with people that are blood-and-guts kind of people, that's always a great challenge," Leyshon said. "Ultimately, it's a play about love."

## Ticket information

Tickets for The Importance of Being Earnest start at \$20 and are available through the theatre box office or [neptunetheatre.com](http://neptunetheatre.com).



From left, Chasuble (played by John Dartt), Miss Prism (Elizabeth Richardson), Algernon (Michael Theriault), Jack Worthing (David Leyshon) and Cecily Cardew (Chilina Kennedy) act out a scene from Neptune Theatre's production of The Importance of Being Earnest on Tuesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Holiday show a hit



Buddy the Elf, played by Mark Uhre. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## Elf raised the bar at Neptune

Neptune Theatre had one of its most successful shows ever over the holiday season, with the seven-week run of Elf: The Musical.

George Pothitos, artistic director for Neptune, said

they were "pretty close" to being sold out every night.

"The whole run was at 91 per cent, so that's 25,000 people," Pothitos said. "It was very successful."

But Pothitos isn't worried about matching the Christmas success with 2013's first play, The Importance of Being Earnest.

"Each one has its own sort of appeal for different

reasons," Pothitos said.

"Obviously not everything's going to be Elf, because it was also a musical and some people are drawn only to musicals."

"It's a different play, so I certainly don't feel that kind of pressure because of the difference. But it is a good play. I hope once people discover it, it should do well."

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## Quoted

**"In January and February, it's kind of nice to have something to laugh at."**

David Leyshon of The Importance of Being Earnest

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## Israel votes. Netanyahu, hardline allies win slight majority, exit polls show

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his hardline allies fared far worse than expected in a parliamentary election on Tuesday, preliminary results showed, likely forcing him to reach across the aisle to court a popular political newcomer to cobble together a new coalition.

While Netanyahu appeared positioned to serve a third term as prime minister, the results marked a major setback for his policies and could force him to make new concessions to restart long-stalled peace talks with the Palestinians.

His most likely partner was Yesh Atid, or There is a Future, a party headed by political newcomer Yair Lapid that showed surprising strength. Lapid has said he would only join a government committed to sweeping economic changes and a resumption of peace talks with the Palestinians.

Addressing his supporters early Wednesday, Netanyahu vowed to form as broad a coalition as possible. He said the next government would be built on principles that include reforming the conten-



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

tious system of granting draft exemptions to ultra-Orthodox Jewish men and the pursuit of a "genuine peace" with the Palestinians. He did not elaborate, but the message seemed aimed at Lapid.

Shortly after the results were announced, Netanyahu called Lapid and offered to work together. "We have the opportunity to do great things together," Netanyahu was quoted as saying by Likud officials.

According to preliminary results, Netanyahu's Likud-Yisrael Beiteinu alliance was set to capture about 31 of the 120 seats, significantly fewer than the 42 it held. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Reprisals feared after Prince Harry admits to Taliban killings

**Media frenzy.** Fevered press response reflects naivety about the realities of war, one British colonel claims

Prince Harry's admission that he killed Taliban fighters while working as a helicopter gunner in Afghanistan drew intense British media coverage on Tuesday and sparked concerns about possible reprisals.

The 28-year-old prince spoke in a pooled interview published late Monday after he was safely out of Afghanistan. He had spent the past 20 weeks deployed as a co-pilot and gunner in a heavily armed Apache attack helicopter.

Asked if he had killed from the cockpit, the third-in-line to the British throne said, "Yeah, so, lots of people have."

The response on Tuesday was immediate: The Daily Mirror tabloid ran a page-one headline, "Royal Sensation Harry: I Killed Taliban," along with a photo of a macho-looking Harry in combat gear and designer



Prince Harry talks to a TV crew at Camp Bastion in southern Afghanistan on Dec. 12, 2012. The Ministry of Defence announced on Monday that the 28-year-old is returning from a 20-week deployment in Afghanistan, where he served as an Apache helicopter pilot with the Army Air Corps. JOHN STILLWELL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

shades. Other newspapers ran similar gung-ho stories about the prince's military exploits. "Harry: I Have Killed" was the story in the Daily Mail.

Video footage shot during the prince's deployment was shown dozens of times on Britain's major news networks.

In Parliament on Tuesday, Defence Minister Mark Francois praised Harry, saying he should be commended for his bravery.

Lindsey German, leader of the Stop the War Coalition, called Harry's comments "arrogant and insensitive" and

raised the prospect that Harry might have accidentally targeted Afghan civilians.

Former officer Charles Heyman, who edits a yearbook on British forces, said the prince's words may raise the already high threat level against him.

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# Three people wounded in Texas college shooting



This frame grab shows the scene at Lone Star College on Tuesday after a shooting on campus. Three people were wounded. KPRC TV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A fight between two people led to a shooting at a Texas community college on Tuesday and sent students fleeing for safety as authorities placed the campus on lockdown, officials said. A maintenance worker was caught in the crossfire and wounded.

One of the people involved in the fight had a student ID, and both were wounded and hospitalized, Harris County Sheriff's Maj. Armando Tello said. A fourth person was also taken to hospital for a medical condition, he said.

The two people involved in the fight are considered persons of interest, Tello said.

Authorities said they weren't looking for any other suspects and that they recovered one handgun at the scene.

The shooting, which happened before 1 p.m., sent students scurrying for safety on the Lone Star College System campus, about 32 kilometres north of downtown Houston. Some barricaded themselves in the rooms they were in, while others fled to nearby buildings.

Mark Zaragosa said he had just come out of an emergency medical training class when he saw two people who were injured and stopped to help them.

"The two people that I took

care of had just minor injuries," Zaragosa told a local TV station. "One gentleman had a gunshot to the knee, and the (other) actually had an entry wound to the lower buttocks area."

The wounded maintenance worker, said to be in his mid-50s, was listed as being in stable condition.

The shooting comes one month after a gunman killed 20 children and six adults at an elementary school in Connecticut, heightening security concerns at campuses across the country and fuelling a national debate about gun control.

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## Gun control

- President Obama has proposed a package of gun-control changes that are expected to face stiff opposition from Republicans, who control the House of Representatives.
- In Texas, several school districts have implemented or are considering a plan to allow faculty to carry guns. The Texas Legislature may also debate a bill that would allow guns on college campuses.

## Algerian hostage-taking

### Ottawa wants proof of terrorist links from ambassador

The Foreign Affairs Department has called in Algeria's ambassador to Canada to get more information on why the country's prime minister labelled some of the hostage-takers in last week's gas-plant siege as Canadian.

The Algerian prime minister said Monday that a total of 38 workers and 29 militants died, offering the government's first detailed account of the attack that

ended in a bloody military raid, which he defended as the only way to end the conflict. Five foreigners are still unaccounted for.

Canada's diplomatic dressing-down was part of Ottawa's ongoing efforts to confirm or debunk reports that there were two Canadians among the terrorists involved in the attack on the remote plant in the Algerian desert.

The federal government is operating on the assumption that, unless it can be determined otherwise, any identifying papers that might point to Canadian involvement are likely fake.

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## Islamist occupation

### Malian and French forces gaining ground on rebels

American planes transported French troops and equipment to Mali, a U.S. military spokesman said on Tuesday, as Malian and French forces pushed into the Islamist-held north.

The town of Douentza had been held by Islamist rebels for four months, located 195 kilometres northeast of Mopti, the previous line-of-control held by the Malian military in Mali's narrow central belt. The Islamist

fighters have controlled the vast desert stretches of northern Mali, with the weak government clinging to the south since a military coup in the capital in March last year unleashed chaos.

French and Malian troops arrived in Douentza on Monday to find that the Islamists had retreated from it, said resident Sali Maiga. "The Malian military and the French army spent their first night, and the people are very happy," Maiga said on Tuesday.

A curfew went into effect at 8 p.m., and no gunfire or other incidents were reported overnight, he said.

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## Philippine shooting

### Canadian killer's background still under investigation

A Canadian man facing charges of illegal possession of firearms opened fire in a Philippine courtroom on Tuesday, killing two people and wounding a prosecutor before police fatally shot him, officials said.

Philippine media reported on John Pope in 2011, when he was held by police on charges of illegal possession of firearms. The same physician who was killed in Tuesday's shooting

accused Pope of brandishing a weapon and threatening him and other residents in their condominium.

The Freeman, an English newspaper in Cebu, reported online Tuesday that Pope had been living in Cebu for 15 years and had been served with a deportation order late last year. The news outlet reported that Pope had not been deported before the shooting as he still had pending cases in the courts. Police said they were investigating Pope's background.

Tuesday's shooting came after several recent killings in the country that prompted calls for a tighter gun control.

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# 'Death video' guard tells inquest of stress

**Ashley Smith.** Guard testifies about job woes, getting arrested after death of teen at Ontario prison

A prison guard testified Tuesday about the shock he felt at finding himself at a police station under arrest, stripped of his shoes and facing charges in the death of a teenaged inmate

whose death throes he had videotaped.

At the inquest into the death of Ashley Smith, Rudy Burnett said he felt as if he had been criminally convicted, even though he believed he had done nothing wrong.

"It was not a very nice situation. I was under a lot of stress. I was very agitated," he said.

The calm, soft-spoken Burnett, who now works at a halfway house for men, also testified about the difficulties

of being a guard in the prison system.

Among other things, he said, he had witnessed serious assaults.

"It's very traumatic," he told coroner's court. "Over the years, you do sort of get desensitized."

He said he relied on family and church to help him keep a sense of himself.

Burnett, who was charged with criminal negligence and failing to provide the necessi-

ties of life in Smith's death, was grilled about his reluctance to give police the names of the other guards present at her death.

His lawyer had advised him to say as little as possible, coroner's court heard.

Charges against Burnett, who had been pressed into videotaping the choking death of Smith in her cell in Kitchener, Ont., five years ago, were dropped.

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Ashley Smith is shown surrounded by guards at a Quebec institution in 2007 in this video screengrab. HANDOUT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CORONER FOR ONTARIO/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Montreal. Boy, 12, charged in the fatal shooting of 16-year-old brother

A 12-year-old boy was charged Tuesday in connection with the shooting death of his older brother in a case that has devastated a family and left neighbours in disbelief.

The boy, wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and striped track pants, stood expressionless in a Montreal courtroom as he was charged with manslaughter and illegal possession of a loaded, prohibited weapon.

While authorities did not lay murder charges in Monday's death of his 16-year-old sibling, they did not describe the shooting as a complete accident either.

"Obviously because he's charged with manslaughter, it's not an accident — the evidence doesn't show it's an accident," said Crown prosecutor Marie-Claude Bourassa, without revealing the suspected circumstances.

"We just study the evidence and charge as the evidence leads us, and in this case, the evidence leads us to these very serious charges."

Due to his young age, the boy faces a maximum sentence of three years in youth detention if convicted. He cannot receive an adult sentence.

His identity as well as his brother's cannot be revealed because they are minors. The boy will remain in custody and is due back in court Friday for a bail hearing. The prosecution, which offered few details about the case, is expected to provide more evidence to the defence from the ongoing investigation.

"We objected to his release today based on the gravity of the offences and because of the information that we have as of now," said Bourassa, who noted it was too early to say whether the Crown would ask Friday that he remain detained.

When asked by a reporter whether the boys' parents could face charges, Bourassa replied: "For now, we don't know. Like I said, it's an ongoing investigation and there are a lot of people to be met."

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### Statement of defence

#### Reporter adds to allegations against Furlong

The reporter behind a newspaper article that accused former Vancouver Olympic CEO John Furlong of abusing students at a school in northern British Columbia four decades ago has included explosive new accusations in her statement of defence, alleging Furlong physically abused a former spouse and sexually assaulted another.

None of the allegations, contained in a statement of defence filed Monday, have been tested in court. Furlong and his lawyers declined comment through a spokeswoman.

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### Quebec

#### Woman charged for allegedly poisoning 2 co-workers

Gatineau police say they have charged a woman who allegedly poisoned two of her co-workers at a financial institution with an anti-psychotic last year.

The force says it received the initial complaint on Feb. 16, 2012, when two victims, aged 37 and 61, felt ill after eating their lunch.

"The investigation allows us to confirm the substance added to the food of one of the victims had anti-psychotic properties," said Gatineau police spokesman Jean Paul Le May.

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## Brussels

## AB InBev wins latest EU round in battle of Buds

Ask for a "Bud" in the EU and the only one you'll get is by brewing giant AB InBev, a high court has ruled in a rejection of a challenge from the Czech company Budejovický Budvar. The firms have fought for a century over the right to use "Budweiser" on bottles and kegs. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Montreal

## Air Canada CEO still bullish on Dreamliners

Air Canada's chief executive is confident battery problems plaguing the new Boeing 787 Dreamliner will be resolved quickly. Calin Rovinescu, speaking Tuesday to the Montreal Chamber of Commerce, said problems are common with new models and Air Canada still expects to begin



The main lithium-ion battery, left, and an undamaged battery from an All Nippon Airways' Boeing 787 that made an emergency landing in Japan Jan. 16. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

taking delivery of the first of the 37 Dreamliners it has ordered starting in 2014.

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## Calgary

## Griffiths Energy to pay \$10.35M for bribing officials

Griffiths Energy will pay a \$10.35-million fine after pleading guilty to a bribery charge for payments made to officials in Chad. The Calgary-based company disclosed last week it had been charged under a Canadian law called the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act.

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# Neb. governor approves new Keystone route

## Oilsands pipeline.

Alberta-to-Texas project still needs Obama's go-ahead to proceed

The fate of TransCanada's controversial Keystone XL pipeline was put squarely in the hands of the U.S. State Department on Tuesday after Nebraska's governor approved a new route amid fierce opposition from environmental groups.

Nebraska Gov. Dave Heineman sent a letter to U.S. President Barack Obama confirming that he would allow the Alberta-to-Texas oil pipeline to go through his state along a revised route that skirts an environmentally sensitive area.

Because the Keystone XL would cross an international border, it requires approval from the U.S. State Department and President Barack Obama. The \$7-billion project would carry bitumen extracted from Alberta's oilsands to refineries along the U.S. Gulf Coast.

Some critics of Keystone see it as an environmental threat and symbolic of a wrong-headed energy policy, both because of potential oil spills and because of the amount of carbon released by the oilsands extraction process.

The project has faced some of its strongest resistance in Nebraska from a coalition of landowners and environmental groups who say it would con-

## Alberta reaction

- Alberta's energy minister says he is pleased to hear that a major hurdle has been cleared on the Keystone XL pipeline.
- But Ken Hughes says that Keystone, which will ship oilsands bitumen to refineries on the U.S. Gulf Coast, is just one part of the puzzle.
- Hughes says the province still needs pipelines to Eastern Canada and to the West Coast to ship oil to markets in Asia.

taminate the Ogallala aquifer, a massive groundwater supply.

Calgary-based pipeline giant TransCanada, which operates throughout Canada and the United States, and some workers' unions say the project is safe and will create thousands of jobs.

The original route would have run the pipeline through a region of erodible, grass-covered sand dunes. The new route skirts that area, although the pipeline's most vocal critics remain firmly opposed to it as well.

Jane Kleeb, executive director of the group Bold Nebraska, says Heineman's decision is "one of the biggest flip-flops in Nebraska history."

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## Retail. Walmart to finish 37 supercentres over next year

Walmart Canada will continue to expand its presence with new stores this year as U.S. retail powerhouse Target prepares to open shop in Canada.

Walmart plans to complete at least 37 additional supercentre projects by the end of next January, bringing the total number of Canadian locations to 388.

The U.S.-based discount retailer says nine of those locations will be new stores, with the remainder being conversions of existing properties into Walmart supercentres with a grocery offering. It says the company is spending \$450 mil-



Walmart Canada's expansion plans for this year include converting many stores into supercentres.

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lion on the expansion, which will create 7,000 jobs — half of which will be retail positions.

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Even if you're not exactly sure why, you know this is a bad idea. A Harvard biologist says it's possible to bring the Neanderthal back to life through cloning. All he needs is some caveman

DNA and the womb of an "extremely adventurous female human" and voilà!

Yikes! Troglodytes!

Yes, the Neanderthal is traditionally regarded as the loser in the race to the top of the food chain, rendered extinct 30,000-plus years ago, unable to overcome the challenge of the wittier, more upright, photogenic Homo sapiens, i.e., us.

As prehistory is written by the victors, we're used to thinking of the Neanderthal as slow-witted, rude and, of course, extinct.

Recently, though, the Neanderthal image has undergone a bit of an upgrade as scientists have discovered that they had a larger brain capacity than Guess Who. It also turns out Homo sapiens weren't so fussy back then when it came to sharing the cave ... all of us have a little Neanderthal DNA. Which might help explain our rapid descent down the evolutionary tree after a couple of drinks.

## Back from extinction?

**Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.**

and Ourselves, outlines how theoretically easy it is to resurrect extinct species, as long as we have viable DNA.

Prof. Church thinks it might be a good idea to breed a Neanderthal and encourage him/her to use that excess cranial capacity to solve some modern problems.

For example:

"Trog, how should we address world hunger?"

Answer: "Eat more!"

Or:

"Trog, what's the secret to world peace?"

Answer: "Bash foe good!"

You can see how this could be helpful, as long as we stick to single syllables.

Prof. Church is a very smart man. He was one of the pioneers of the Human Genome Project and has helped launch two dozen biotech firms. But you wonder if he could do with a bit more of that vaunted Neanderthal cranial capacity.

Meanwhile, the call is out for that "extremely adventurous female human" to act as the troglodyte's incubator. Presumably, Prof. Church will be looking for someone with prior experience, like Rosemary.

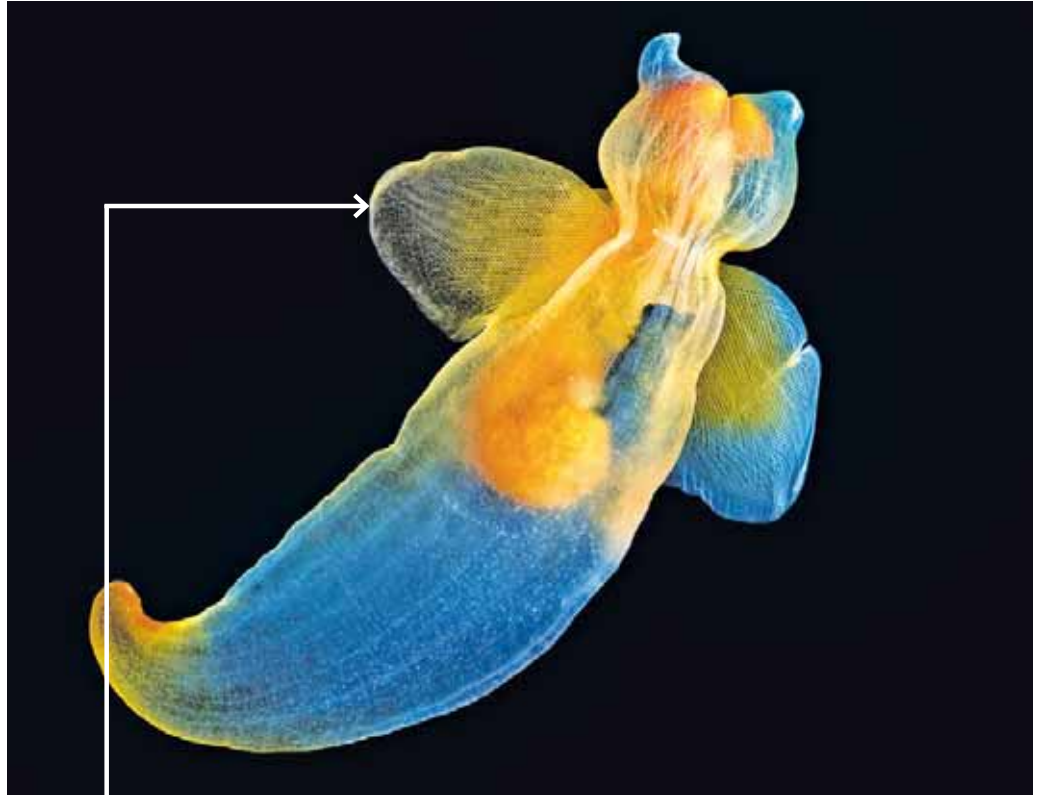
But smirk as we might (and we do), this is ultimately a tragic tale. How would you like to grow up knowing your last chance to meet a nice girl and settle down expired 30,000 years ago, and everyone thinks you're one strand short of a genome, like the guy in the Geico commercial: So Easy, a Caveman Could Do It?

Exactly. It's fun until someone gets his feelings hurt. And then he bashes your head in.



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# Angels swimming in the sea



ALEXANDER SEMENOV

## Underwater shooting

### Deep sea's beauty revealed

Think deep sea and images of creatures untouched by nature's beauty come to mind: fang-toothed angler fish, translucent sea worms and eerie squids, just to name a few. But this photo of a vibrant, rainbow-coloured sea angel in Russia's White Sea by Alexander Semenov shows a prettier side of what lurks below.

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## Q and A

### Sea slugs are vibrant



**ALEXANDER SEMENOV**  
Photographer, zoologist  
at White Sea Biological  
Station, Russia

#### What makes deep-sea photography so special?

The deep water is a very diverse place for animals. The countless factors that affect natural life — salinity, water temperature, depth, different types of water —

create a unique ecosystem, something that we will never see in an aquarium.

#### What presents the biggest challenge in underwater photography?

First of all, it's difficult to do anything in the water. It's tricky enough to stay close to your subject while making sure that your flippers don't churn up a cloud of haze from the bottom. The shooting process can be tough, too: You have to set the lighting functions at the right moment. But the

biggest problem is temperature. Sometimes the water is -1.5 C — after 20 to 30 minutes, you lose the feeling in your hands despite having thick gloves.

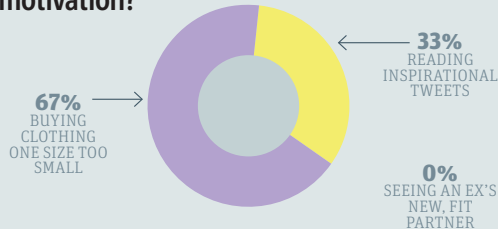
#### Why the fascination with sea slugs?

I like all of the inhabitants of the underwater world but nudibranchs (a species of sea slugs) are particularly interesting as they are one of the most vibrant groups. They possess every colour and shape combination imaginable. **METRO WORLD NEWS**



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### What works best as weight-loss motivation?



## Twitter

**@PeterMClifford:** Rush playing in Halifax this summer No way in he-- am I missing that. #tomsawyer

**@alisha101:** Omg! New kids on the block, 98 degrees annnd Boyz to Men all on one tour?! Oh my! Sure hope they come to #halifax #Here-sHoping

**@Tamurrrable:** If Halifax schools got locked down every time our cops found

guns in random houses, students would just have to move in.

**@sonician:** It's shouldn't always be a concern about the type of tires they have, but the driver behind the wheel. Take your time, leave room. #Halifax

**@AmeliaEmilyS:** The lack of proper snow removal in #HRM is embarrassing. #Halifax #Dartmouth

## In Focus

## The many faces of Parker



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In the movie Parker, Jason Statham, British action-man and Hollywood star, plays the title character. He's a ruthless career criminal with a twisted sense of ethics — he doesn't steal from the poor or hurt innocent people.

Sound familiar? Well it should, as the character is the star of 24 books written by Donald E. Westlake (under the pseudonym Richard Stark). Many films have also been made from the books, with Parker played by everyone from Lee Marvin to Mel Gibson to Robert Duvall.

If the movies don't ring a bell, however, it's because on film, Parker has often been renamed.

For instance, in 1967's Point Blank (based upon the novel The Hunter) Lee Marvin played the character named Parker in the book, but changed to Walker for the film.

In the '70s and '80s, the Westlake Parker novels remained popular Hollywood source material. Robert Duvall switched the name to Macklin in 1973's The Outfit.

The best-known Parker adaptation is Payback in 1999, but with so many actors having played the character, who would Westlake, his creator, like to have seen in the role? "Usually I don't put an actor's face to the character," he said, "though with Parker, in the early days, I did think he probably looked something like Jack Palance. That may be partly because you knew Palance wasn't faking it."



Movie 43 director Peter Farrelly said he was surprised big stars like Halle Berry agreed to star in the film. HANDOUT

# Movie 43 is either going to be Funny or Die trying

**Interview.** While the collection of bizarre shorts may include famous actors, the director doesn't see it doing well on Rotten Tomatoes

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Before director/producer Peter Farrelly will get on with our interview, he needs to make sure he's talking to someone from a real publication.

"Metro News sounds like something out of Superman," Farrelly says. "I work for the Metro News!"

After assuring him that we are very real, it's time to talk about the raunchy comedy anthology Movie 43, a project

that's also very real, even if Farrelly is working without his brother Bobby, his co-director on such career-definers as Dumb and Dumber and There's Something About Mary.

**You've got some big stars in this, some with Oscars. How did you convince them to take part?**

Well, when we got Kate (Winslet) and Hugh (Jackman), Charlie Wessler, the producer, told them that Coen Brothers were going to direct them, and then I showed up and said that they'd had to cancel (laughs). I was nervous showing up with Kate Winslet and Halle Berry and Hugh Jackman. I thought when they got on the set they were going to blink and say, 'You're kidding. I can't be doing this.' Not only did they not, they embraced it like it was their first movie ever and they wanted to go for it.

## Hit or miss

**"It's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it."**

Peter Farrelly  
Talking about how he expects Movie 43 to be received poorly by the critics.

**How do you think approaching a project like this has changed since the advent of Funny or Die and the Internet in general?**

The world's attention spans have diminished drastically in the last 10 years, so you can't just have a movie of shorts. What we had to do is have a wraparound story that explains what Movie 43 is and keeps you wanting to know what's going to happen at the end.

**How much do sites like Funny or Die work as far as finding new comedy talent?**

That's where we got all our new talent, in fact. Charlie would scour Funny or Die and the entire Internet for funny pieces and then contact those guys or women and say, 'Hey, that's hilarious. We're doing a movie of shorts, you want to write one?'

**How did you decide which of the segments to direct yourself?**

I just picked the best ones (laughs). Because I'm the producer. Um, no, I picked the ones that I thought were the funniest. And by the way, it's going to get about a six per cent on the Rotten Tomatoes scale if we're lucky, just so you know. Because it's groundbreaking and odd and offensive and critics aren't going to know what to do with it.

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## Prince Harry on nude scandal

Prince Harry is finally speaking out about his nude photo scandal from his trip to Las Vegas last summer, acknowledging it wasn't his proudest moment. "I probably let myself down. I let my family down. I let other people down," Harry told reporters as he wrapped up

his latest four-month stint in Afghanistan. But he doesn't think he was the only one acting inappropriately. "At the end of the day, I was in a private area and there should be a certain amount of privacy," he said. "The way I was treated by (the media) I don't think is acceptable."

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

### The Word

## The Beyoncé lip-syncing scandal



THE WORD  
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If you are one of the millions who thought that a triumphant Beyoncé trumped Kelly Clarkson's vocal prowess at Monday's inauguration, you should know a little secret: Beyoncé might have lip sang The Star Spangled Banner.

The Internet was abuzz yesterday with a much-circulated story that a spokesperson (who has probably since been fed to the wolves) from the Marine Corp Band, which backed Beyoncé (Beyoncé? Hackonce?) and said that the singer decided



at the "last minute to go with the pre-recorded version."

Lip-sync? Beyoncé? Girlfriend ripped out her ear piece and then went on to nail it!

If her removing her earpiece was indeed just a dramatic, unneeded touch in order to fool us, her acting ability is much better than Austin Powers in Goldmember gives her credit for.

## 'Honesty is always the best bet,' says Crow of ex-fiancée, Lance Armstrong

Lance Armstrong's ex-fiancée, Sheryl Crow, is speaking out on the disgraced cyclist's coming clean about his years of doping, admitting it would have been tough for Armstrong to keep it a secret much longer. "I think that honesty is always the best bet



and that the truth will set you free," she tells Entertainment Tonight, admitting that she'd only seen "bits and pieces" of Armstrong's two-part interview with Oprah Winfrey. "To carry around a weight like that would be devastating in the long run."

### Twitter



@oliviawilde

I would like to request that the word fiancée be replaced with beyoncé, for obvious reasons. Effective immediately.



@ladygaga

And if you thought I was looking at you during the show I was.



@JASONALEXANDER

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On Friday, pubs around the globe will be fully stocked in tribute to Scotland's national poet — Robbie Burns. Born in 1759, Burns was a Scottish poet and lyricist celebrated internationally for such works as Auld Lang Syne and Address to a Haggis. He was voted the Greatest Scot of All Time in a national 2009 television contest. If you find yourself in Edinburgh, here are some ways to get to know the man behind the day.

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## Edinburgh is Burns-ing

### The Writers' Museum

The Writers' Museum focuses on Scotland's three greatest word-smiths — Sir Walter Scott, Robert Louis Stevenson and of course, Robbie Burns. Fans of great literature can learn about the bard's life through portraits, early manuscripts, personal items and, for the more macabre, even a rare plaster cast of Burns' skull — all set in the beautifully historic 17th Century Lady's Stair House on Edinburgh's Royal Mile.



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### The Burns Monument

The 19th Century-commissioned Burns Monument was constructed to house a life-size statue of Robbie Burns. Although the marble likeness is now found in the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, its impressive shelter still stands. Located on Regent Road, the circular, recently restored Neo-Greek-style temple also supplies a worthy view of Arthur's Seat — the stunning mountainous hill that rises above Edinburgh.



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### Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Not only does the 123-year old building contain the aforementioned statue of Burns, but the Scottish National Portrait Gallery is one of Edinburgh's most neo-gothic architectural fascinations. Shortlisted as the UK's museum of the year in 2012, this popular museum explores Scotland's history through its extensive portrait collection of the country's most luminous icons, including everyone from Robbie Burns to Mary, Queen of Scots and even legendary actor Sean Connery.



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### The White Hart Inn

A 16th century pub that boasts Robbie Burns among its past patrons, the fascinating White Hart Inn in Edinburgh's historic Grassmarket Square also claims to have hosted notorious 19th Century murderers Burke and Hare and survived an attack by a German zeppelin during the First World War. In the true spirit of Robbie Burns however, you should at least wrap up your day of travels with the pub's "wee taste of haggis with bashed neeps".



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# Horsing around in Puerto Vallarta

## Wild ride.

Darren Parkman discovers a new way to see the natural beauty of Mexico



**THE TRAVELLIN' CANADIAN**  
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The Mexican resort town of Puerto Vallarta offers many things: sun, surf, sand and leisurely swimming with horses.

The idea of doing the breast stroke with a thousand-pound beast didn't exactly seem fun to me, but the actual experience was nothing short of a thrill-ride.

The equestrian adventure of a lifetime all started at a small but quaint tequila factory called Hacienda Dona Engracia, located out in the country about a half

hour from downtown.

We started by hopping on some ATVs for some very adventurous off-roading into the heart of the Mexican wilds.

We roared down muddy roads and through raging rivers until we reached the site of the watery horse ride.

After mounting a big horse with no saddle, I proceeded to hang on for dear life as he galloped into a very deep and raging river.

Thankfully this horse was a swimming champ and managed to horse-paddle expertly down the river. Unlike some other participants, I managed to hang on for the whole ride.

A much tamer but equally enjoyable wildlife water encounter can also be found in nearby Nuevo Vallarta.

Vallarta Adventures offers a great swimming-with-the-dolphins experience that made me realize just how incredibly smart these

## Other cool things to do...

- **Snorkel at Los Arcos.** This protected marine reserve offers great reefs, tunnels, and caves teeming with sea life. Great snorkeling with millions of exotic fish in the area.
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creatures are. I couldn't help but smile as two of these friendly fellows planted kisses on my cheeks, before I hitched a ride around the pool by latching onto their fins.

These dolphins are not only gentle but a lot of fun just to watch.



Darren Parkman tests his equestrian skills in a river near Puerto Vallarta. CONTRIBUTED



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# Impress your dinner guests with easy Pesto-Stuffed Chicken Rolls



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This delicious, elegant and simple dish is perfect for entertaining. The rolls can be left whole, sliced in half or cut into medallions.

For the health-conscious, making your own low-fat version of pesto is preferable, but for this recipe a store-bought version is fine. Buy roasted red peppers packed in water, not oil, or make your own.

**1.** Preheat the oven to 425 F. Line a baking sheet with foil and spray with cooking oil.

**2.** Working with one at a time, place the chicken breasts between two sheets of waxed paper and pound to an even quarter-inch thickness.

**3.** Stir the cream cheese and pesto together in a small bowl until smooth. Divide the mixture among the chicken breasts, spreading it thinly

## Ingredients

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breasts (about 1 lb)
- 2 tbsp light cream cheese, softened
- 1 tbsp pesto
- 2 tbsp roasted red pepper, chopped
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp water or low-fat milk
- 1/2 cup dry seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tsp vegetable oil

over the surface. Scatter the red pepper over top. Starting at the short end, roll up each chicken breast and secure with a toothpick or skewer.

**4.** Beat the egg and water together in a shallow bowl, then place the bread crumbs on a plate.

**5.** Spray a large non-stick skillet with cooking oil. Add the oil and place over medium-high heat. Dip each chicken roll in the egg mixture, then



This recipe serves 4. LORELLA ZANETTI/FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN

coat in the bread crumbs. Cook, turning occasionally, for 3 minutes or until well browned on all sides. Transfer to the prepared baking sheet.

**6.** Bake for 12 to 14 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and no longer pink in the centre. Remove the toothpicks and serve chicken

rolls whole or slice the rolls into medallions.

**ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN**

## Drink of the Week

### Hot Butter Rum

A mix of dark rum, butter, sugar and a pinch of cinnamon is mixed with boiling water for a warming winter drink. The glass is rimmed with cinnamon sugar and a cinnamon stick is used as a garnish.

- 1 oz dark rum
- 1 packet butter
- Pinch cinnamon
- 2 packets sugar
- Hot water
- Cinnamon stick for garnish

Add all ingredients to glass and stir well, melting butter.

Rim coffee glass with cinnamon sugar.

Garnish with cinnamon stick and stir well.

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# Career quandaries for those with disabilities

## Necessary knowledge.

When seeking out the perfect position for you, it's important to do your research and to know your rights

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It is always stressful seeking employment; however, another layer of stress is added, for those with disabilities, when it comes to making a decision on when and whether to disclose that disability to a prospective employer.

Although there is plenty of research that illustrates the potential benefits to an employer of having a diverse workforce that includes persons with disabilities, there are certainly many misconceptions that could stand in your way.

When trying to decide the best way to proceed, it is important to first know the laws and how they can protect you.

## What are your rights, responsibilities and obligations?

First, take some time to re-

## Study up

**"The more you know and understand our laws, the more confident you will feel about what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour on the part of employers."**

Clare Tattersall

view the Canadian Human Rights Commission website (chrc-ccdp.gc.ca). You will find on their site information on Duty to Accommodate, A Guide to Creating an Inclusive Workplace, and examples of past cases that are viewed as significant in forming and upholding the Canadian Human Rights Act. The more you know and understand our laws, the more confident you will feel about what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour on the part of employers.

This will ensure that you know what your rights are and how you can work together with a prospective employer to protect them. However, regardless of how many laws there are to protect us, we still need to use common sense, instinct and judgment when it comes to

## Ask around!

**Know another individual who has a disability and is working at a company that you are interested in?**

- Set up an informational interview to talk about his or her experiences and get some first-hand advice on how he or she handled the job application process and how he or she was treated during and after hiring.

any topic that may leave us vulnerable to discrimination.

Thus, I encourage you to do research on prospective places of employment. Seek out companies that have a track record of hiring and supporting individuals with disabilities.

Some may have company policies that promote and advocate for a more diverse and inclusive workplace. If you know this in advance, it may impact your decision on whether you disclose a disability and when.

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Andrew Bodnarchuk

## Former Moose captain back up in the NHL

Andrew Bodnarchuk is excited about being back in the National Hockey League.

The defenceman from Hammonds Plains and former captain of the Halifax Mooseheads has been called up by the Los Angeles Kings after blue-liner Matt Greene went down with an injury in the team's season-opening loss to the Chicago Blackhawks on Saturday.

Bodnarchuk, a 24-year-old who signed a one-year contract with the Kings during the off-season, was called up from the team's American Hockey League affiliate the Manchester Monarchs on Monday.

He skated with the Kings on Tuesday morning prior to its game that night against the Colorado Avalanche in Denver, but ended up being a healthy scratch.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to get in some games," Bodnarchuk told Kings.com after Tuesday's morning skate. "It was nice to come up to L.A. for training camp, so it doesn't really feel like I left. I'm excited to be here and I'll be ready if called upon."

Bodnarchuk was drafted by the Boston Bruins in the fifth round in the 2006 NHL entry draft. He spent much of his time with the Bruins playing for its AHL affiliate in Providence, R.I., but skated in five games with Boston during the 2009-10 season.

"I got to know the guys during camp," Bodnarchuk said of the Kings. "John Stevens was in Manchester earlier in the season and was teaching us the Kings system, so I'm familiar with what is expected."

Bodnarchuk spent three seasons with the Mooseheads between 2005-07.

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Andrew Bodnarchuk CONTRIBUTED



Teammates Mary-Anne Arsenault, left, and Colleen Jones talk during practice at the Halifax Curling Club on Tuesday. Arsenault's team will be competing in the Scotties Tournament of Hearts starting Wednesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Jones ready to rock

**Scotties Tournament of Hearts.** Curling superstar embraces her new role as she guns for another provincial title



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Colleen Jones has nothing left to prove in her curling career.

The Canadian Curling Hall of Famer has earned six Canadian championships and two world titles. On Wednesday, she'll join forces with three teammates with which she's won all but one of those titles as they gun

### Quoted

"I love that your pulse quickens a little bit. Nothing else does that the way the game can do it." Colleen Jones

for another provincial Scotties Tournament of Hearts trophy at the Halifax Curling Club.

Jones savours the exhilaration of victory but insists it isn't an obsession. Priority No. 1 is playing well, peaking when the pressure is on.

"We've played a lot of games where we've played absolutely brilliantly and not won," she said.

If there's any truth in something being in one's blood, curling would certainly apply to Jones, she said.

"I love the energy, that win-or-lose moment when

you need to perform right now. I love the nervous energy, the tension."

This time around she's relinquishing her natural role of skip over to Mary-Anne Arsenault. She'll be the team's second along with lead Jen Baxter, third Kim Kelly and fifth Nancy Delahunt.

The squad is aiming for an Olympic birth — and a first-place finish in the five-day tournament that runs until Sunday is a must.

Seven other teams stand in their way including back-to-back provincial champions Heather Smith-Dacey

of Mayflower. The tournament features a round-robin format with the top three teams qualifying for the playoffs.

Jones said on Tuesday she has no problems with changing her role with the team. In fact, she made the call.

"I've always approached this as a sacred team connection. I knew that at the youngest of ages. That it's the foursome; it is the group; there can be no ego."

Arsenault said everyone is on the same page and prepared to give it their all in search of yet another title.

"This is the key. We just know each other so well. We lived so many amazing experiences that there really is no option but to do it together," said Arsenault.

## NBL Canada. Rainmen add defensive depth with signing of former NBL star

The Halifax Rainmen have added more scoring and defensive depth with the signing of Akeem Wright on Tuesday.

The six-foot-six, 200-pound swingman is a former National Basketball League of Canada star, averaging 19.8 points, 7.9 rebounds and 4.2 assists while playing in 13 games for the

Moncton Miracles in 2012.

Halifax coach Rob Spon said in a release issued by the team that he expects Wright to make an immediate impact.

"Akeem is the kind of player who can put the ball on the floor, get to the hole and finish," said Spon. "He also is a

very good defender who can block a lot of shots as well. Akeem is very athletic and is just an all around exciting player to watch."

Wright is expected to join the team Feb. 1.

The Rainmen return to action Thursday when they host Windsor. METRO



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Maria Sharapova serves during her quarter-final match against Ekaterina Makarova in Melbourne on Tuesday. LUCAS DAWSON/GETTY IMAGES

# Sharapova laying the hammer down in women's draw

**Australian Open.** Four-time Grand Slam winner cruises into semis having lost just 9 games in 5 matches

Maria Sharapova has lost only nine games in five matches on the way to the semifinals at the Australian Open. Always the perfectionist, she sees room for improvement.

Defending champion Novak Djokovic made some improvements of his own later on Tuesday, beating Tomas Berdych 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4 to advance to a semifinal against David Ferrer.

After needing five hours, two minutes to beat Stanislas Wawrinka in the fourth round Sunday, Djokovic never appeared threatened in his pursuit of a third consecutive Australian Open title. He completed his win over Berdych in exactly half the time of his previous victory.

## Remaining men's quarters

On Wednesday, the men's draw features second-seeded Roger Federer facing Jo-Wilfried Tsonga and No. 3 Andy Murray taking on Jeremy Chardy of France.

Sharapova beat fellow Russian Ekaterina Makarova 6-2, 6-2 on Tuesday and was asked afterward if she'd lost focus in only a few games this tournament.

"No, I'd probably say more," she said, "but that's probably because I'm critical."

If that's the case, she's a pretty tough taskmaster.

After opening with a pair of 6-0, 6-0 wins, Sharapova beat seven-time major winner Venus Williams 6-1, 6-3 in the third round and Belgian Kristen Flipkens 6-0, 6-1 in the fourth.

Her impressive streak

comes after having played in no warmup tournaments because of a right collarbone injury. But after losing to Victoria Azarenka in a lopsided final last year, Sharapova is taking nothing for granted.

"To be honest, those are not the stats you want to be known for," Sharapova said, adding that she was more concerned about adding a fifth Grand Slam title and had spent plenty of time on the practice court.

Sharapova's semifinal opponent will be Li Na, who beat Agnieszka Radwanska 7-5, 6-3 in the first of Tuesday's quarter-finals, breaking the Polish player's 13-match winning streak to start the season.

The quarter-finals on the other half of the draw were Wednesday, with American teen Sloane Stephens upsetting Serena Williams, who was aiming for a third consecutive major title, and Azarenka topping two-time major winner Svetlana Kuznetsova to advance to the semis. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## NHL

### Brodeur shuts out Flyers a 10th time

Martin Brodeur and the New Jersey Devils have started the lockout-shortened season in playoff form. The Philadelphia Flyers seem to have missed the opening bell.

Brodeur made 24 saves for his 120th NHL shutout, Ilya Kovalchuk scored on a short-handed penalty shot, and the Devils won their home opener in front of an enthusiastic sellout crowd with a 3-0 victory over the winless Flyers on Tuesday night.

It was the first meeting between the long-time divisional rivals since New Jersey eliminated Philadelphia in five games in the Eastern Conference semifinals. The Devils again had the Flyers' number and beat them for a fifth straight time.

Travis Zajac and David Clarkson scored first-period goals to provide all the offence Brodeur would need en route to his 10th shutout of the Flyers.

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# CTE can be identified in living athletes: Study

A new study has offered the first evidence that CTE, a concussion-related brain disease, can be identified in living athletes, a discovery experts say could change the way professional sports treats concussions and head trauma in players.

Currently, chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) is diagnosed only after death, using an autopsy. The new findings are a step toward identifying the disease while players are still alive.

"It suggests we're on the right track," UCLA neuroscientist Gary Small, an Alzheimer's specialist and lead author of the study, said in an interview. "We have an approach or a strategy to detect the problem early so we can develop treatments before there's extensive damage."

In the study, published Tuesday in the American Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry, UCLA researchers injected a biomarker into five retired NFL players ages 45 to 73 with a history of CTE symptoms, as well as a control group of healthy adults. They then ran all the participants through a brain scan to look for tau proteins, an indicator of CTE, locating significant amounts in the retired players' brains.

Experts believe CTE can de-



Signs of chronic traumatic encephalopathy were identified in the brain of Junior Seau, who shot himself to death last year.

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velop in athletes after repeated minor head injuries. Symptoms can include depression, dementia, memory loss and suicidal behaviour, according to previous studies.

Signs of the disease were identified this month in the brain of Pro Bowl linebacker Junior Seau, who fatally shot himself in the chest last year. CTE has also been diagnosed in post-mortem examinations of former NHL enforcers Derek Boogaard and Bob Probert.

Since CTE was first identified about a decade ago, the

disease has also been found in brain tissue belonging to dozens of former American and Canadian football players, most notably through research conducted at the U.S.-based Brain Injury Research Institute, which funded Small's research.

The UCLA study uses a biomarker that has been used to track Alzheimer's. According to the study, it is the only imaging substance that can locate tau in living people. This, the authors say, is the first study to apply it to CTE.

Among the players tested, the biomarker revealed excessive amounts of tau in regions of the brain that control emotions and behaviour. Researchers found "a straight line" between the number of concussions the players had suffered and the amount of tau protein in their brains, Small said.

"That goes along with other studies that show if you have three or more concussions, it increases your risk for mild cognitive impairment and depression symptoms," he said.

Small stressed the study is only the first step in studying brain degeneration in living athletes with histories of repeated head trauma.

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## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	0	9	4
New Jersey	2	2	0	0	5	1
NY Islanders	2	1	1	0	5	2
NY Rangers	2	0	2	0	4	9
Philadelphia	3	0	3	0	3	11

NORTHWEST DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Ottawa	2	2	0	0	8	1
Buffalo	2	2	0	0	7	3
Boston	2	2	0	0	5	2
Toronto	2	1	1	0	3	2
Montreal	2	1	1	0	5	3

SOUTHEAST DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	3	2	1	0	13	8
Winnipeg	3	1	1	1	6	8
Florida	3	1	2	0	6	9
Washington	2	0	2	0	5	10
Carolina	2	0	2	0	2	9

**Note:** A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OL (other loss) column.

#### Tuesday's results

Montreal 4 Florida 1  
Winnipeg 4 Washington 2  
Chicago 3 St. Louis 2  
Colorado 2 Los Angeles 1  
Dallas 2 Detroit 1  
Nashville 3 Minnesota 1  
New Jersey 3 Philadelphia 0  
Tampa Bay 4 Carolina 1  
San Jose at Edmonton

#### Monday's results

Anaheim 5 Calgary 4  
Boston 2 Winnipeg 1 (SO)  
Buffalo 2 Toronto 1  
Detroit 4 Columbus 3 (SO)  
NY Islanders 4 Tampa Bay 3  
Ottawa 4 Florida 0  
St. Louis 4 Nashville 3 (SO)  
**Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern**  
Toronto at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
Boston at NY Rangers, 7:30 p.m.  
Columbus at Phoenix, 10 p.m.  
Calgary at Vancouver, 10 p.m.  
**Thursday's games**  
NY Islanders at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
Montreal at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Buffalo at Carolina, 7 p.m.  
NY Rangers at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
Ottawa at Florida, 7:30 p.m.  
Nashville at St. Louis, 8 p.m.  
Chicago at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Chicago	3	3	0	0	14	8
St. Louis	3	2	1	0	12	6
Nashville	3	1	0	2	8	4
Columbus	2	1	0	1	6	3
Detroit	3	1	2	0	5	11

NORTHWEST DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Minnesota	3	2	1	0	6	5
Edmonton	1	1	0	0	3	2
Colorado	2	1	1	0	5	2
Vancouver	2	0	1	1	5	10
Calgary	2	0	2	0	5	9

PACIFIC DIVISION						
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA
Anaheim	2	2	0	0	12	7
Dallas	3	2	1	0	6	5
San Jose	1	1	0	0	4	1
Phoenix	2	0	2	0	7	10
Los Angeles	2	0	2	0	3	8

Columbus at Colorado, 9 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

## TENNIS

### AUSTRALIAN OPEN

At Melbourne, Australia

#### Men's Singles — Quarter-finals

Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Tomas Berdych (5), Czech Rep., 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.  
David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Nicolas Pietrangeli (10), Spain, 4-6, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (4), 6-2.

#### Women's Singles — Quarter-finals

Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Ekaterina Makarova (19), Russia, 6-2, 6-2.  
Li Na (6), China, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (4), Poland, 7-5, 6-3.

#### Junior Boy's Singles — Second Round

Hugo Di Feo (16), Montreal, def. Petros Chrysoschos, Cyprus, 6-7 (2), 7-6 (2), 6-2.

#### Doubles — Second Round

Jay Andrijevich and Bradley Mousley, Australia, def. Hugo Di Feo and Brayden Schnur (5), Montreal, 6-3, 7-5.

#### Junior Girl's Doubles — Second Round

Ana Konjuh, Croatia, and Carol Zhao (1), Richmond Hill, Ont., def. Beatriz Haddad Maia, Brazil, and Giulia Paolino, Italy, 6-3, 6-1.  
Antonia Lottnner, Germany, and Erin Routliffe (2), Caledon, Ont., def. Harriet Dart, Britain, and Hsu Ching-wen, Taiwan, 6-3, 6-2.

## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	26	12	.684	—
New York	25	14	.641	1 1/2
Indiana	26	16	.619	2
Brooklyn	25	16	.610	2 1/2
Chicago	24	16	.600	3
Atlanta	23	18	.561	4 1/2
Milwaukee	22	18	.550	5
Boston	20	21	.488	7 1/2
Philadelphia	17	25	.405	11
Detroit	16	25	.390	11 1/2
Toronto	15	26	.366	12 1/2
Orlando	14	27	.341	13 1/2
Cleveland	11	32	.256	17 1/2
Charlotte	10	31	.244	17 1/2
Washington	9	30	.231	17 1/2

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	32	9	.780	1/2
L.A. Clippers	32	10	.762	—
San Antonio	33	11	.750	—
Memphis	26	14	.650	5
Golden State	25	15	.625	6
Denver	25	18	.581	7 1/2
Houston	22	19	.537	9 1/2
Portland	22	21	.512	10 1/2
Minnesota	20	21	.488	11 1/2
Dallas	17	21	.447	13
L.A. Lakers	18	24	.429	14
Sacramento	17	24	.415	14 1/2
New Orleans	16	26	.381	16
Phoenix	14	27	.341	17 1/2
Phoenix	13	28	.317	18 1/2

#### Tuesday's results

Cleveland 95 Boston 90  
Detroit 105 Orlando 90  
Milwaukee 110 Philadelphia 102

Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers

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Atlanta 104 Minnesota 96  
Brooklyn 88 New York 85  
Chicago 95 L.A. Lakers 83  
Golden State 106 L.A. Clippers 99  
Houston 100 Charlotte 94  
Indiana 82 Memphis 81  
New Orleans 114 Sacramento 105  
San Antonio 90 Philadelphia 85  
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New Orleans at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
Washington at Utah, 9 p.m.  
Indiana at Portland, 10 p.m.  
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10 p.m.  
Oklahoma City at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.



# The 2013 Nissan Sentra



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## Fuel economy

What the CVT does best is assist on the fuel-economy front. Thus equipped, the Sentra's rating of 6.6 litres per 100 kilometres in the city and 4.9 on the highway beats out the previous 7.6/5.7 numbers. A late-arriving "FE+" option will slightly up the highway ante.



The engine is a 1.8-litre, 130 hp

## 2013 Nissan Sentra

- **Type.** Four-door, front-wheel-drive compact sedan
- **Engine (hp).** 1.8-litre DOHC I4 (130)
- **Transmission.** Six-speed manual; continuously variable
- **Base price (incl. destination).** \$16,400

## Engine

Another big plus for the Sentra is that it's close to 70 kilograms lighter than before. That's particularly good news since the standard 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine makes 10 less horsepower and generates 19 pound-feet less torque than the 2.0-litre four-cylinder it replaces.

## Style

From the shape of its grille and the curve of the front fenders, to the roofline that tucks smoothly into a truncated rear deck, the compact Sentra appears as a modestly scaled-down Altima

**Review.** Nissan's baby Altima is all grown up and the family resemblance is uncanny

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If you measure style by the size of your ride and performance by how far it can go on a tank of gas, the 2013 Sentra should positively blow you away.

To misquote Honest Abe Lincoln, you likely can fool most of the people most of the time with Nissan's new Sentra sedan. Whether conducting a walk-around examination or admiring the view from inside, this car gives off a too-big-for-its-britches appearance. Compared to the outgoing model, it's only slightly longer overall and with more space between the front and rear wheels, while surprisingly being a bit narrower. The illusion of more generous proportions is par-

tially due to a 1.5-centimetre overall height reduction. The reshaped body means 15 per cent more trunk space, which is now only slightly smaller than the Altima in that department.

More good news abounds with the Sentra's interior layout that's plenty attractive, especially the straightforward and intuitive dashboard/control panel. There's zero sense that you're riding in a cramped, uncomfortable small car. Rear-seat passengers will also appreciate the generous leg and headroom.

The new Sentra is an overall positive blend of five-passenger ride comfort and quietness, balanced with go-where-it's-pointed handling competency. These are all traits that any decent commuter/grocery-getter sedan should possess. Add to that a successful attempt to push fuel economy levels to greater heights and you have a better-than-average urban compact that won't cramp your style, or put a crimp in your wallet.



Leg and headroom in the back and front is ample.



The gauge dials are straight forward and intuitive.

## By comparison



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# Tech that! 2013 brings new gadgets



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Last week's auto show in Detroit produced lots of eye candy, but also revealed several crazy new technologies.

Which is obviously the way it should be. Who wants an auto show to rehearse the technological equivalent of last night's lasagna?

Here then are two Detroit tech debuts, which smelled and looked quite tasty...

## Direct Adaptive Steering

Now there are lots of "switchable" steering systems out there — you know, the ones where you can select various modes of sportiness. Those systems typically recalibrate steering ratios, and in some cases, also engine and transmission settings. But the optional Direct Adaptive Steering system on the newly launched Infiniti Q50 is the world's first to also adjust steering "effort." It can do this because the steering wheel and steering column are not actually physically making the adjustments on the steering rack. Electric motors are doing



Hyundai's Infiniti Q50 (above) has optional Direct Adaptive Steering while their HCD-14 comes with eye tracking and hand-gesture recognition. CONTRIBUTED

it, according to sensors in the steering wheel — "Drive by wire" so to speak. Each of the four adjustable settings will ask the steering rack motors to give the driver varying degrees of steering effort, like easy for highway cruising and nice and firm for

twisty bits. And steering wheel inputs can be translated to the wheels faster than ever — virtually at the speed of electricity. Infiniti Canada's Tim Franklin was one of 30 or so lucky company execs that had a chance to sample the system

at Infiniti's proving grounds in Japan. "It changes the whole character of the car, not just the throttle and steering," Franklin told us in Detroit. The other huge advantage, according to Franklin, is that road harshness is not transmitted up through the steering column to the

steering wheel, because, well, there is no connection there: "It takes out the trash noises and emphasizes the feedback you want."

## Eye Tracking and Hand-Gesture Recognition

Deep within the computerized

brain of Hyundai's HCD-14, a concept of a future Genesis model, is the intelligence to do "eye tracking and 3D hand gesture recognition." This is how Hyundai figures we can get rid of all the distracting clusters of buttons and knobs on the instrument panels and consuls of today's vehicles — basically Hyundai's vision for the whole human-to-machine interface. Here's how it works: Via a heads-up-display in the windshield, the system shows the driver all the various options in the world of navigation, infotainment, HVAC, Smart-phone connectivity, etc. To make your selection you keep your eye on what you want, and then confirm by a thumb button on the steering wheel and/or by making a gesture with your hand. If you selected stereo for instance, you can make it go louder simply by making another hand gesture in space. You don't need to touch anything. I'm not sure if the system will distinguish between these interface-related hand gestures and the ones motorists have traditionally been using to communicate their displeasure with other motorists. We can only assume engineers are working on it.








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## Quoted

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Recalls are issued when an automaker discovers something that could potentially fail and pose a safety hazard, such as faulty parts, design flaws or assembly errors. The auto manufacturer sends information to its dealers on how to repair the problem, along with any necessary parts.

It also mails notices to registered owners of the affected vehicles, informing

them of the problem and outlining how to get it repaired. Any authorized dealer for your vehicle must perform the recall at no charge, although if the recall is extensive and parts are required, you may have to wait until enough replacement parts are produced and shipped out.

Cars can also be recalled if something doesn't comply with federal motor vehicle standards, which might be as minor as a warning label that isn't in both English and French. The automaker is required to include all vehicles that have the recalled part or design, even if the owner hasn't experienced any problems with it. The part may never fail on your car, but the company must replace it as a precaution.

Quite often, the problem will apply only to a particular batch of parts, or it will be discovered and fixed during production, and so only a specific number of cars will be affected.

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## Advice

- **Take note.** If you buy a used car, or if you move, phone the manufacturer and have your address registered to it, so any applicable recalls can be mailed to you. The automaker doesn't receive your details when you change the ownership at the licensing office.

- **Know the difference.** A technical service bulletin (TSB) is not the same as a recall. TSBs describe symptoms and what is possibly causing them.



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## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

Don't get annoyed if you have to amend your plans at the last moment today. If anything the changes will work in your favor. You of all people should know that few things stay the same for long.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Adopt a confident attitude today and you will accomplish great things. Go your own way and do your own thing and the whole world will look at you as if you are someone special – which, of course, you are.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Your conclusions about other people's motives could be a bit off target over the next 24 hours, so think before you speak. If you don't know all the facts it might be wise to keep your opinions to yourself.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

According to the planets your rivals are waiting for a chance to make you look bad but they will only succeed if you say or do something foolish. Be inscrutable: don't let anyone know what is going on inside your head.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Something needs to be brought into the open where it can be discussed. If you are wise you will initiate the discussion yourself because that will allow you to set the terms of debate – and that means you'll win.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You must stop chopping and changing. The worst thing that can happen today is that you change your mind and your goals yet again. Identify your number one priority and focus on it to the exclusion of everything else.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Keep your emotions in check and try not to take anything too seriously. Today's Mercury-Jupiter link will make it easy for you to see what is important and what is not, and act – or not act – accordingly.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

If you want other people to back what you are doing you will have to convince them that the results will be as good for them as they are for you. It would help, of course, if it's the truth.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

If you sit back and wait for good things to come your way you will be disappointed, but if you go out and make things happen you will be amazed how easily you get ahead. The choice is (as ever) yours.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You cannot please everyone but you can please yourself – and you SHOULD please yourself. Whatever else you do over the next 24 hours make sure it makes you feel good. If others feel good too that's a bonus.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Mercury in your sign will help you get straight to the point today and that is essential as there are important tasks to be completed. It's not enough just to see clearly – you need to communicate clearly too.

### Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You seem a bit fearful at the moment, scared you will either say too much or too little. The answer, of course, is to say what you feel and not care two hoots what other people might think about it. Toughen up.

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## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

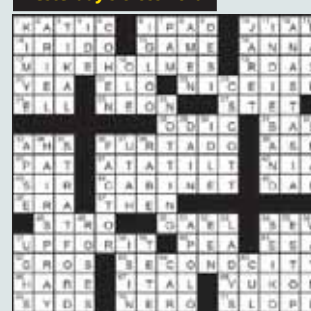
### Across

1. “\_\_\_ Good Men” (1992)
5. Poetry event
9. “The Marilyn \_\_\_ Show”
14. Ms. Loughlin
15. Care for
16. \_\_\_ Janeiro
17. Quebec City landmark, Le Chateau \_\_\_
19. Insects sci.
20. Mavericks, on scoreboards
21. “\_\_\_ be my pleasure.”
23. Hosp. professionals
24. \_\_\_ Blackcomb (BC ski resort)
29. Concur
31. Move, in real estate lingo
32. ‘90s series, “Road to \_\_\_”
34. Then: French
36. Party platter item: 2 wds.
39. Polite abbr. in texting
40. Hardwood choice
42. Toy-made dessert, \_\_\_ Cone
43. ‘\_\_\_ for Newfoundland
45. Prime Minister Harper’s
48. \_\_\_ heels
50. Writer, Henry David \_\_\_
52. “Is it just \_\_\_.”
53. Bar seat
55. Lorne Michaels’ proteges through the yrs: 2 wds.
57. Swiss river, variantly
58. Alphabetic trio
60. Cloth
61. Sniff
63. Tries out for “American Idol”
69. Mr. Mandel
70. Famous vamp.
71. Night: French
72. Lets up
73. Jedi foe
74. ‘Kitchen’ add-on

### Down

1. Alien sitcom
2. Pro
3. ‘Ranch’ suffix
4. Canada’s City of Roses
5. Designer Ms. McCartney
6. “Steal My Sunshine” group
7. Actress Ms. Ortiz

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

## Yesterday's Sudoku

9	4	3	2	7	8	5	6	1
5	8	1	3	4	6	7	2	9
6	7	2	5	9	1	4	8	3
8	6	4	9	3	2	1	7	5
3	9	5	8	1	7	2	4	6
2	1	7	6	5	4	9	3	8
1	2	8	4	6	9	3	5	7
7	5	6	1	2	3	8	9	4
4	3	9	7	8	5	6	1	2

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